

27th ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
1st SESSION
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON HB 108 and HB 109
May 4, 2011

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Thomas called the Conference Committee meeting on HB 108 and HB 109 to order at 12:44:38 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senate:

Senator Lyman Hoffman, Vice Chair
Senator Bert Stedman, Member
Senator Joe Thomas, Member

House:

Representative Bill Thomas, Chair
Representative Bill Stoltze, Member
Representative Les Gara, Member

ALSO PRESENT

David Teal, Director, Legislative Finance Division; fiscal analysts with the Office of Management and Budget and Legislative Finance Division; and aides to committee members and other members of the Legislature.

SUMMARY

HB 108 APPROP: OPERATING BUDGET/LOANS/FUNDS

CCSHB 108(FIN) was REPORTED out of committee with a "do pass" recommendation.

HB 109 APPROP: MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET

CCSHB 109(FIN) was REPORTED out of committee with a "do pass" recommendation.

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and

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"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

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"An Act making appropriations for the operating and capital expenses of the state's integrated comprehensive mental health program; and providing for an effective date."

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Vice-Chair Hoffman MOVED to ADOPT the chairman's recommendation on the following Item for: LANGUAGE **Item 2**

Senate

Sec. 12n. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. (n) The amount of \$20,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development for community revenue sharing payments for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, to be distributed proportionally to the amounts received by communities under AS 29.60.855 and 29.60.860.

Senate

Sec. 13b. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT. (b) The amount of \$20,000,000 is appropriated from the general fund to the Department of Education and Early Development for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012, to be distributed as state aid to districts according to the average daily membership for each district adjusted under AS 14.17.410(b)(1)(A) - (D).

House

Sec. 39 none language

The Senate language for Sec. 39 was not adopted: CONDITIONAL EFFECT. The appropriations made in secs. 12(n) and 13(b) of this Act are contingent on the enactment into law in 2011 of a version of Senate Bill No. 97.

The effective date of sections 12(n), 13(b) and 39 is June 30, 2011.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Vice-Chair Hoffman MOVED to rescind action in the Department of Education and Early Development Items 19 and 20 regarding scholarships.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Vice-Chair Hoffman MOVED to ADOPT the chairman's recommendation on the following Items for the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development.

Item 19 - House plus \$1.9 million (for a total of \$3 million for needs based scholarships), Item 20 - Senate structure and Senate number plus \$4.9 million (for a total of \$6 million for the Merit Based Scholarships).

FISCAL NOTES

Vice-Chair Hoffman MOVED to ADOPT the chairman's recommendation on the following fiscal notes.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

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Chairman Thomas pointed out three fiscal notes for HB 106, addressing the Coastal Zone Management Program.

Vice-Chair Hoffman MOVED that the committee adopt the fiscal notes for HB 106 attached to HB 108. He noted that the most recent fiscal note for appropriations to land and water resources allocation for the Alaska Coastal Zone Management contained a total of \$6,715.800 dated May 4, 2011.

Chairman Thomas stated that the committee instructs the secretary to forward the additional fiscal notes to the Senate Secretary and Chief Clerk for posting on BASIS upon adoption of the conference committee report by the House and Senate.

Chairman Thomas stated that this completes the work of the Conference Committee. He stated the intent of the House to set aside \$200 million in the Alaska Housing Capital Corporation (AHCC) for an in-state gas pipeline fund and \$400 million in the AHCC for a performance scholarships/grants fund. That action will happen in the capital budget.

Vice-Chair Hoffman MOVED that CCS HB 108 as amended be reported out of committee with individual recommendations and the authorization be given to the Legislative Finance Division and Legislative Legal Services to make any necessary technical and/or conforming changes.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Vice-Chair Hoffman MOVED that CCS HB 109 as amended be reported out of committee with individual recommendations and the authorization be given to the Legislative Finance Division and Legislative Legal Services to make any necessary technical and/or conforming changes.

There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Vice-Chair Hoffman stated his appreciation for Chairman Thomas and his staff for their professional assistance during the conference committee's process.

Chairman Thomas thanked the members of the Conference Committee and their staff for their assistance during these deliberations. He expressed appreciation to the Finance Committee support staff for all of their work keeping them organized during deliberations. He thanked the Office of Management and Budget and all department and agency staff involved in the budget process. He thanked his staff and the staff of the Legislative Finance Division and Legislative Legal for their hard work finalizing the budget.

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Representative Gara thanked the operating budget co-chairs for their ongoing conversations.

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ADJOURNMENT